

REMARKS

This amendment is intended to be a complete response to the office action and to place the application in condition for allowance, accepting the Examiner's positions so far as they remain applicable in light of the amendments to the claims. Specifically, the specification was objected to because the phrase "a pressurized compartment and an unpressurized compartment appeared only in original claim 10 and not otherwise in the specification. Claim 10 has been cancelled, so no amendment to the description of embodiments of the invention has been made.

The Examiner's objection to claim 16 - requiring the addition to "valve" to the phrase "the housing"-- has been made, though there seems to have been neither and need to so nor any harm.

Claim 11 was objected to as indefinite in its use of the phrase "position can be changed". This has been address by narrowing the claim to "means for varying the installed spring length", thereby invoking section 112 paragraph 6. The particular circumstances under which one might want to vary the installed length of the spring are numerous, involving interaction with other portions of the control system. Moreover, what is claimed is simply the hardware to make adjusting the preload on the spring possible, not any particular rubric for making the adjustment.

Claim 17 was objected to for lack of clarity ast to which housing has teh 90 degree bend. That has been addressed by amending claim 16, from which claim 17 now depends.

Claims 8 and 16 were indicated as allowable, and they have been written in independent form, with the remaining claims either cancelled or depending now directly or indirectly on one or the other of these claims. Accordingly, all claims are now apparently in condition for allowance, and a notice of allowance is requested.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988, our Order No. FUELP0242US.

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